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PATENT APPLICATION

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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John B. Stoick et al.

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Examiner: Ghassem Alie

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Group Art Unit: 3724

For: DUAL CONTAINMENT TUBING CUTTER

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2004, Applicants, through their attorney, elects Group I consisting of claims 1-13 and 15-20, without traverse. Please cancel claim 14 without prejudice.

The present amendment comprises the following sections:

A. Amendments to the Claims

B. Remarks

Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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